UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE at CHATTANOOGA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)	
)	Case No. 1-09-CR-142
v.)	
)	COLLIER / LEE
BRANDON POINTER)	
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ORDER

Magistrate Judge Susan K. Lee filed a report and recommendation recommending the Court: (1) grant Defendant's motion to withdraw his not guilty plea to Count One of the three-count Indictment (2) accept Defendant's plea of guilty to the lesser included offense of the charge in Count One, that is of conspiracy to distribute a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of cocaine in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 846 and 841(b)(1)(C); (3) adjudicate Defendant guilty of the lesser included offense of the charge in Count One, that is of conspiracy to distribute a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of cocaine in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 846 and 841(b)(1)(C); (4) defer a decision on whether to accept the plea agreement until sentencing; and (5) find Defendant shall remain in custody until sentencing in this matter (Court File No. 71). Neither party filed a timely objection to the report and recommendation. After reviewing the record, the Court agrees with the magistrate judge's report and recommendation. Accordingly, the Court ACCEPTS and ADOPTS the magistrate judge's report and recommendation (Court File No. 71) pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) and ORDERS as follows:

(1) Defendant's motion to withdraw his not guilty plea to Count One of the Indictment

is **GRANTED**;

Defendant's plea of guilty to the lesser included offense of the charge in Count One, that is of conspiracy to distribute a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of cocaine in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 846 and 841(b)(1)(C) is ACCEPTED;

(3) Defendant is hereby **ADJUDGED** guilty of the lesser included offense of the charge in Count One, that is of conspiracy to distribute a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of cocaine in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 846 and 841(b)(1)(C);

(4) A decision on whether to accept the plea agreement is **DEFERRED** until sentencing; and

(5) Defendant **SHALL REMAIN** in custody until sentencing in this matter which is scheduled to take place on **Thursday, April 8, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.** before the Honorable Curtis L. Collier.

SO ORDERED.

ENTER:

<u>/s/</u>
CURTIS L. COLLIER
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE